

Nice Ride Expansion Planning: Join Us at a Neighborhood Workshop Near You

Nice Ride Minnesota launched the largest public bike sharing system in America on June 10. As we approach the 100,000-ride milestone and the close of our first season, Nice Ride is planning a major expansion!

Part of our expansion is already funded. We will add at least six stations in North Minneapolis next year and are holding planning meetings there now.

But Nice Ride has much bigger plans. Mayor Rybak, Mayor Coleman, and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota CEO Pat Geraghty are helping Nice Ride seek Phase 2 funding for a major expansion. We want to serve neighborhoods on all sides of downtown Minneapolis, downtown St. Paul, and the Grand Avenue/University Avenue corridor.

We kicked off Phase 2 planning with a metro-wide meeting on September 15. Now we are holding workshops so you can show us where you want a Nice Ride station in your neighborhood.

NICE RIDE NEIGHBORHOOD WORKSHOP SCHEDULE:

Downtown St. Paul Workshops

Wednesday, November 3, 6:30-8:00 pm, at First National Bank Building, 1st floor training center, 5th and Minnesota entrance / 332 Minnesota Street, Saint Paul, MN 55101

Friday, November 5, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, at First National Bank Building, 1st floor training center, 5th and Minnesota entrance / 332 Minnesota Street, Saint Paul, MN 55101

Northeast Minneapolis Workshop

Tuesday, November 9, 6:30-8 pm, at Hedberg Maps, Northrup King Building (enter by Van Buren Street) / 1500 Jackson St NE, Suite 314, Minneapolis, MN 55413 / 612-706-9686

South and Southwest Minneapolis Workshop

Thursday, November 11, 6:30-8 pm, at Freewheel Midtown Bike Center, 2834 10th Av. S., Minneapolis, Minnesota. Enter on Greenway between 10th Ave. and Chicago Avenue (for directions and parking, freewheelbike.com).

University Avenue/Grand Avenue Corridor Workshop

Wednesday, November 17, 6:30-8:00 pm, at Laura Jeffrey Academy, 1550 Summit Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55105

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If you are unable to attend a workshop, we still want your ideas. Please send an e-mail to ideas@niceridemn.org.

Nice Ride Minnesota is a local non-profit. Our current system includes 65 self-service bike share stations and 700 bikes. We bought this equipment through generous contributions from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota; Bike Walk Twin Cities, a program of Transit for Livable Communities; and the City of Minneapolis.



